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Agency.

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Great Philadelphia "Sunday
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Announcement is made by the publishers that every reader of the great "Philadelphia Sunday Press" will receive next Sunday, February 18, absolutely free two souvenirs of a character and value far beyond anything heretofore offered by a newspaper. One will be a beautiful picture in ten colors, by Paul de Longpre, the famous flower painter, entitled "A Yard of Roses." It is twice as large as any picture ever given away by a newspaper, and that it is worth framing is evident from the fact that copies cannot be bought at retail for less than a dollar. But, in addition to this, every reader of next "Sunday's Press" will receive an attractively illustrated booklet of convenient size, containing the greatest detective story ever written by Emile Gaboriau. If you want these splendid gifts you had better order next "Sunday's Press" at once, as warning is given that the supply will be limited. If there is no news agent in your vicinity get some bright boy to write for the agency.

John E. Jackson, druggist, guarantees every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to anyone who is not satisfied after using two-thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for la grippe, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

READ OUR ADS FOR THE FADS.

AT
CHAPMAN'S,
SPRING WRAPS.

The Spring Wraps are here, new as Nineteen Hundred. "As distinctively stylish and pretty as can be" so say the ladies who have seen them. If you have studied spring styles, you will notice at sight, how "fairly alive" they are with individuality and stylishness. Some are of plain cloths, tan, mode, blue, black and new blue. Some trimmed with their own cloth, others with braid and with buttons, some with the applique work on cream velvet; while a few are perfectly plain.

The prices range from \$6.00 to \$10.75 for coats; \$2.75 to 10.75 for wraps.

NEW FOOTWEAR.

Spring shoes for ladies, misses, children, infants, men and little girls.

The ladies shoes are of the Drew Shelby make.

The men's embrace two lines: the "Walk Over" and Packard.

We're anxious to hear your judgment of these two lines, viz: the little coats, wraps, and fine shoes.

R. C. Chapman.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

Next Tuesday, the 20th inst., will be county court day.

Miss Maggie Bowen, of Maiden Spring, is visiting in town this week.

Sam Jones will lecture at Pocahontas on the 26th inst.

Are we to have a canning factory at Tazewell this year?

Have you tried any of the delicious hot beverages Post is dispensing?

Arbuckle and Lion Coffee at the Racket Store of J. B. HANKINS & Co. at 123 cents.

The public schools of the county have all been closed.

Mr. James F. Hurt is down at Big Stone Gap on some special insurance business.

Joseph F. Shelton, of Princeton, W. Va., was a visitor to Tazewell Saturday last week.

Mr. W. L. Moore, of Liberty Hill, accompanied his daughter, Miss India, and his sister, Mrs. Moss, to Richmond.

The Knights Templar at Bramwell, W. Va., will have a banquet on the 22nd inst.

Owing to the heavy advance in material I have decided to sell my goods for cash only.

W. L. DRAVER.

Dr. James O'Keeffe came up from Key-stone, W. Va., on Monday, and remained here until Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Jno. W. Crockett left for Washington on Tuesday, to be absent several days.

R. C. Chapman calls attention to his line of new Spring Wraps, just received and as stylish and pretty as they can be.

Last Saturday the additional electric lights were turned on, and we venture the statement that no town in Virginia is better lighted than Tazewell.

We hear from persons coming to town that the public roads are in the wretched condition that they are usually found at this season of the year.

Tickets are already being fixed up for the coming town election. We expect the people will have a voice in the next town election.

A petition has been sent to the Norfolk & Western authorities to put Sunday passenger trains on the Clinch Valley Division.

We have about 1 dozen Ladies Fascinators we will close out at 20 cents each.

J. B. HANKINS & Co.

Miss Narcissa Pendleton went to Marion on Monday afternoon to visit her uncle, Major A. G. Pendleton.

Miss Lou Coulling was very much indisposed on Monday, and Mr. E. L. Greener taught in her place at the High School.

Messrs. Felix and James O'Keeffe were in town the first of the week, called here by the illness of their mother.

Honeyheads have begun to bite. Some of our people think they are the best fish that swim, and they are not far wrong.

To the Ladies: If you need a Side Saddle I do not believe you can do better than buy one of my \$12.00 or \$15.00 Saddles. They are neat and good.

W. L. DRAVER.

From the way reserved seats are being sold there will be a large crowd at the Sam Jones lecture on the 24th inst. Already 200 seats have been sold.

H. W. Pobst publishes to our readers the bargains he has in Dinner Dishes. He has some very handsome sets that are very cheap.

About thirty young ladies and gentlemen of the town and vicinity stormed the editor's home on last Friday night. They had a fine time, or said they had.

My harness is made heavy and strong and is suited to this rough country. Now don't pay some other fellow as much, or more for a factory set than you can buy mine for.

W. L. DRAVER.

Mrs. Jos. S. Moss left for Richmond on Monday afternoon, where she will spend the balance of the winter with Mr. Moss. She was accompanied by Miss India Moore.

"Aunt Milie" Dempsey, one of the most popular colored women of the town, died on yesterday afternoon at five o'clock. She had served in a number of families of the town and was always a faithful and trustworthy servant.

We are receiving our Spring line of Men's, Ladies and Children's Shoes, bought at old prices.

J. B. HANKINS & Co.

Yesterday was St. Valentine's day. Very few Valentines passed through the postoffice at this place. The custom of sending such missives has grown nearly obsolete.

Spots Bros., in their regular space, mention some of the many table delicacies they keep in the "little grocery store around the corner." It will tempt your appetite to read about them.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. Jennie Ratliff, who has been very ill for several weeks past, is steadily improving, and her friends hope to see her out again soon.

The book committee for the circulating library met at the High School chapel on Tuesday afternoon, and selected a list of about thirty books by the latest authors. They will be ordered at once.

There are 16 prisoners now confined in the county jail, one of the number being a United States prisoner. Fourteen of the number are serving terms upon convictions for small thefts. Two are there awaiting trial upon the charge of murder.

Prof. Van Deman, of Parkersburg, Va., came into possession of a copy of the REPUBLICAN of the 25th of last month, in which he had a long article urging our people to give more attention to fruit growing. Mr. Van Deman was greatly pleased with the article in question, and wrote us a letter, which we publish in another column. He expresses some very sound views in the letter, which can be read with profit by our farmer friends.

The Life of D. L. Moody, written by his son, W. R. Moody, assisted by Ira D. Sanky, is now on sale by Master Jesse Draper, who will be glad to have your order for this noble book. As I am too young to canvass in the county, any one that desires the book can drop in at my father's harness shop, leave an order, and I will greatly appreciate it.

Yours truly,
JESSE DRAVER.

POBST'S DINNER DISHES.

A 46-piece combination dinner and tea set, fancy decorations; pink and green at \$4.75 the set. You do not find so good value as this every day in anybody's store.

It's the cash price that does the work here, and makes it possible for dollars to do double duty.

An 84-piece green or pink decorated dinner set at \$7.75. Somebody's price for this set would be \$10.75. See where cash comes in again?

I will save you money if you will buy of me. I am willing to sell for small profits to get cash, no charge. Under my cash system, I am not everlastingly trying to collect money to meet my bills. I'm so proud of the new way—cash-up and little profits—it keeps my bills paid and helps you too.

Instead of "seeing my goods before buying elsewhere," see elsewhere and you'll buy of me, and save money.

H. W. POBST.

DRINK OF THE SEASON.

HOT CHOCOLATE, HOT LEMONADE,
"BEEF TEA," "GINGER,"
"POLLY" CLARET, COCOA COLA.

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MAKE YOUR WIFE HAPPY

BY GIVING HER A USEFUL PRESENT,

SOMETHING SHE CAN USE TO BEAUTIFY HER HOME; SHE WILL

APPRECIATE IT.

We now have in stock, and are receiving new every day, a handsome line of Rockers, Morris chairs, Dining chairs and Tables, Stands, Parlor and Bed Room suits, Carpets and Matting.

Examine our stock and prices, it will pay you.

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BLUEFIELD, W. VA.

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If you've used all the known remedies for the diseases of your horses, cows and poultry without good results, try International Stock Food—costs you 1 cent for three feeds. Your money back if you do not get paying results.

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The DRUGGIST.

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9:30 to 11 A. M.
12:15 to 1:15 P. M.
5 to 6:30 "

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Novelties in Lamps, Pictures, Medallions, Fancy Clocks, Fancy Rockers

And other useful Holiday presents at very low prices. This is not a forced sale with us, but a high appreciation of the public's most liberal patronage for the past year. You have to see our values to appreciate them. We are the Largest, Complete House Furnishers in this section. Our two mammoth House Furnishing emporiums, one at Graham, the other at Newport News, make us the largest in the State. You ought to commence looking now for the presents you want to give, while our stores are full, to the doors, of the nicest of everything, from a Foot Stool to a Parlor Suit. Cash or Credit. Everything as represented, or your money back for the asking.

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

Mr. R. F. Copenhaver, of Liberty Hill is sick with the jaundice, we are informed.

Mr. D. H. Smith went to Richmond on Monday on professional business.

Mr. T. C. Bowen has gone to Grundy to look after a land case he has in Buchanan county.

It is rumored that Sunday passenger trains will be put on Clinch Valley Division next Sunday.

Mrs. W. G. O'Brien, of Denver, Colorado, is expected to arrive at Tazewell today, to visit her parents Major and Mrs. T. P. Bowen. She has not visited her friends here since 1896.

Jno. E. Jackson advises the farmers not to be discouraged because of the failure of the remedies they have used for the diseases of horses, but to try "International Stock Food."

The Geo. A. Sweet Nursery Co., of Danville, N. Y., have an advertisement in the REPUBLICAN. This is pronounced one of the very best nurseries in the United States.

The old gray horse, "Jim," which was owned by "Squire W. O. Yost, deceased, and was at one time the finest gelding in Tazewell, died Tuesday night. He was thirty four years old. The old horse had been taken care of by Mr. John C. Yost since his father's death, about ten years ago.

If you have any lumber to sell, write the JOHN ALEXANDER LUMBER COMPANY, Clarksburg, West Virginia. State what you have and price.

Water! Water!

Water! Water! While it is one of the most annoying difficulties with which the city officials come in contact, it can scarcely be considered an engineering problem, for the reason that the solution of it is perfectly obvious and the means of preventing it easily available, providing only that the administration officers are sufficiently broad-minded and intelligent enough to appreciate the situation. As a matter of fact, the officers of most cities, and especially small towns are business men, selected and elected to fill the offices for one year without compensation. When men have their own private business to attend to they cannot give their time to the study of municipal affairs that their office demands.

It is essentially an administrative rather than an engineering question, and the only reason for presenting such a subject to the attention of an engineer, is that usually it falls to the engineer to educate the administrative officers up to the point of applying the one infallible remedy and the water takers to accepting it as the only just means of estimating their water rates. The idea is fostered, too, by the manner in which payment is made. In the great majority of cases, for the service, where one has to pay only a certain fixed rate, based on the number of rooms, persons or fixtures, it is easy to fall into the habit of thinking that it really makes but little difference how much water is consumed and to procrastinate going for the plumber if any of the fixtures get out of order and run continuously. They case their conscience by reasoning that their neighbor is doing the same thing, or again they think just one faucet running a little won't be noticed or the water missed from the "great big tank up on the hill."

For the benefit of those, let me quote from Mr. Troutwine: "A faucet leaking one drop per second wastes 5 gallons daily; one drop constantly, but not running in a continuous stream, 9 gallons; a third running small possible stream, 14 gallons; one running full open, 2,357 gallons." It is not the water consumed which makes the scarcity, but the water which is wasted. During periods of extreme cold the waste is due, of course, to the practice of allowing the water to run to keep it from freezing. With the high temperature the increase is due to sprinkling, and the general tendency to allow the water to run to cool the pipe and get up circulation for drinking and cooling purposes, as some have their own private spring houses and pantry sinks where they run the water continuously.

Now the remedy. I am told that the old system of water supply cost about \$4,000, the addition made last year cost about \$5,000, making a total of \$12,000 invested by the city in water improvements. This shows that while water is a cheap commodity, it still does cost something. Our water rates are very reasonable, and to reduce the water rates can only be done by cutting off all improvements that are paid for out of the revenue. Put in meters, make the present rate per capita remain as it is, estimate the number of gallons used per day per capita, make this your minimum, allow each consumer so many gallons per year at the minimum rate, and allow him to run the water unrestricted, take no notice of fixtures, and charge him for all water in excess of the minimum amount at so much per 1000 gallons, regardless of how used. The result: The city will have more water to sell, without the expense of adding to their system. They will have water when needed. If not, they will pay for what they did have and the man who did not waste it will not have to pay for it.

V. L. SEXTON, Com'r. in Charge City Clr. Court Tazewell Co., Va.

To Public School Teachers,
Beside special lectures by President Houskeeper, who has had wide experience in training teachers, Tazewell College offers the course of instruction indicated by the county superintendent of schools. No change of text books required. Tuition, \$3.00 per month. Board, \$2.00 per week. You should enter by March 1st. Respectfully,
J. N. HARMAN.

Feb. 8th.
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Dissolution Notice.
The partnership heretofore existing between us under the name of Dodd & Co has been dissolved by Mrs. Dodd retiring from the concern. We return thanks to our patrons for their liberal support. Respectfully,
V. L. DODD,
J. B. BOYER.

Having purchased the interest of Mrs. V. L. Dodd in the business of Dodd & Co, I will continue the business at the same stand by the county superintendent of schools. No change of text books required. The patronage that was extended to the old firm.

Very Respectfully,
J. B. BOYER

Tazewell, Va.,
Feb. 1st, 1900

For Both

painter and owner—Devoe lead and zinc wears twice as long as lead and oil. Zinc and grinding does it.

Trespass Notice.

All persons are hereby warned not to trespass on the Sheffield lands at Poundling Mill, Va., of which we are lessees, by cutting or removing timber, laying down fences, hauling through, or otherwise. We will enforce the law against any person who violates this notice.
McCALL & DAILY.
Jany. 4th, 1900.

Tough Paint.

Zinc and grinding make Devoe wear twice as long as lead and oil.

"I think I would go crazy with pain were it not for Chamberlain's Pain Balm," writes Mr. W. H. Stapleton, Hermit, Pa. "I have been afflicted with rheumatism for several years, and have tried remedies without number, but Pain Balm is the best medicine I have got hold of." One application relieves the pain. For sale by—John E. Jackson.

Commissioners Notice.

Davis & Rankin,
vs.
Pigrah Cheese & Butter Company.

The Athens & Ott Manufacturing Co.
vs.
Pigrah Cheese & Butter Company.

E. M. Noon,
vs.
Davis & Rankin Building and Manufacturing Company and als.

To Daniel J. Davis and Thomas Rankin, partners under the firm name and style of Davis & Rankin; Pigrah Cheese & Butter Company, a corporation; W. K. Lebor, C. B. Botsford, H. W. Shannon, W. M. Cecil, C. M. Cecil, John B. Hurt, administrator of J. M. McGuire, deceased; J. K. Gildersleeve, administrator of R. W. Witten, deceased; B. J. Fuller, J. W. Maxwell, G. M. Graybeal, W. L. Spracher, James Handy, sheriff of Tazewell county, Va., and as such administrator of John W. Beavers, dec'd; John T. Keene and E. V. Spotts.

Take notice that, pursuant to a decree entered in the above styled causes at the December term, 1899, of the circuit court of Tazewell county, Va., which decree is in the words following:

"And on motion of the complainant in the first above mentioned cause, it is ordered, adjudged and decreed, that the first mentioned cause be recommitted to the commissioner to ascertain and report the amount still due and unpaid upon the claim asserted by the complainants in cause first above mentioned, and by whom the same is due, and to ascertain and report what other matters required by any party to these causes, and V. L. Sexton is hereby designated as commissioner and required to perform the duties before mentioned, and before acting said commissioner will give notice of the time and place he will commence to perform said duties, by publishing same four successive weeks in some newspaper published in Tazewell, Va., I have fixed upon Wednesday, February 28th, 1900, as the time and my Law Office, Tazewell, Va., as the place to perform the duties required of me by said decree, at which time and place you are required to attend. If said account be not commenced on that day, or commenced but not completed, same will be continued from day to day or time to time at the same place until completed. V. L. SEXTON, Com'r. in Charge City Clr. Court Tazewell Co., Va.

There is no better medicine for the babies than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Its pleasant taste and prompt and effective cures make it a favorite with mothers and small children. It quickly cures their coughs and colds, preventing pneumonia or other serious consequences. It also cures croup and has been used in tens of thousands of cases without a single failure so far as we have been able to learn. It not only cures croup, but when given as soon as the croupy cough appears, will prevent the attack. In cases of whooping cough it liquefies the tough mucus, making it easier to expectorate, and lessens the severity and frequency of the paroxysms of coughing, thus depriving that disease of all dangerous consequences.—For sale by John E. Jackson.

Order of Publication.

IN the clerk's office of the circuit court of the county of Tazewell on the 30th day of January, 1900.

J. A. Beasley, Plaintiff,
Against
J. A. Beasley, Defendant.

The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii from the said Matilda Beasley and to dissolve the bonds of matrimony heretofore solemnized between the plaintiff and the defendant. And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant Matilda Beasley is not a resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that she do appear here within 15 days after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary to protect her interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four weeks in the Tazewell REPUBLICAN and that a copy be posted at the front door of the court house of this county.

A Copy—Teste:
H. HARMAN, Clerk.
C. J. BARNES, p. q.

NOTICE!

To Matilda Beasley:
Take notice that on Friday, the 16th day of March, 1900, at the law office of V. L. Sexton, at Tazewell, Va., between the hours of 6 a. m. and 6 p. m. I will proceed to take the depositions of William Pack and als, to be read as evidence in my behalf in a certain suit in chancery now pending in the circuit court of Tazewell county, Va., in which I am plaintiff and you are defendant, and, if for any cause the taking of said depositions be not commenced on that day, or, if commenced but not completed, then the taking of same shall be adjourned from time to time and place to place until same are completed.

J. A. BEASLEY,
Per Counsel.

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Photographer.

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TAZEWELL, VA.

Amateur work carefully finished.

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Embroideries.

Will finish invoicing this week.

Next week I shall open and display my NEW STOCK of WHITE GOODS, ALLOVERS, EMBROIDERIES etc., all bought months ago—before present high prices came on—This is your opportunity to buy at and below old prices from the handsomest stock of this class of goods you ever saw.

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Merit Wins!

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Upon merit we have, in a short time, and in the midst of many competitors, built up a business which we are proud of. Our books show an increase in each month's business during this year over the corresponding month of last year, and the business done during nine months of this year is larger than that of the whole of 1899.

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Order of Publication.

VIRGINIA:—In the clerk's office of the circuit court of Tazewell county January 31st, 1900:

Mary A. Baugh, Complainant,
vs.
J. A. Beasley, Defendant.

James Barnett, sheriff of Tazewell county, Va., and as such administrator de bonis non of James P. Barnett, deceased, Amanda Barnett, (nee Barnett,) Hana Barnett, her husband, Catherine Hedrick, (nee Barnett,) Samuel Hedrick, her husband, Mary Lambert, (nee Barnett,) Margaret Skelton, (nee Barnett,) Silas Skelton, her husband, said defendants female descendants of James P. Barnett, deceased, and their husbands, Louisa Turley, (nee Barnett,) Reese Turley, her husband, Sallie Barnett, widow of Augustus Barnett, deceased, Augustus Barnett, her son, an infant, John Barnett, Charles Barnett, James Barnett, May Barnett, Kate Crutcheild, James Crutcheild, her husband, George Barnett, Willie Barnett, and Adam Barnett, heirs at law of Archibald Barnett, deceased, M. Jane Barnett, in her own right, and as administratrix of Gasper Barnett, deceased, Samuel Barnett, Elizabeth Barnett and Borden Barnett, heirs at law of Gasper Barnett, deceased, Defendants.

The object of this suit is to enforce specific performance of a written contract filed with complainants bill, executed and delivered by James Barnett to Crockett Stump whereby the said Barnett sold to said Stump on the 25th day of April, 1854, a certain tract or boundary of land in Tazewell county, Va., on the head waters of Clinch River, west of and near the divide of the waters of Clinch River and Clear Fork, and to extract the legal title from the heirs at law of James P. Barnett, deceased, and vest the same in the complainant, a daughter and devise of said Crockett Stump. And it appearing from an affidavit on file in said office that Mary Lambert, Margaret Skelton, Silas Skelton, John Barnett, Charles Barnett and Borden Barnett are non-residents of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that they appear here within 15 days after due publication of this order and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this suit, and that copies hereof be posted as prescribed by law.

A Copy—Teste:
H. HARMAN, Clerk.
May, May & Smith, p. q.

COMMISSIONERS NOTICE.

Charles Young, Complainant,
vs.
A. A. Ferguson, et als, Defendants.

IN CHANCERY.

To Charles Young, A. A. Ferguson, A. M. Ferguson and M. A. Ferguson, his wife, R. B. Gillespie, J. N. Harman, L. R. Dings, Philip Johnson, and A. F. Harzgrave, and all other persons interested:

You are hereby notified that upon February 17th, 1900, at my office in the town of Tazewell, Va., I will take and state an account, showing the valid and subsisting liens on the undivided moiety in the land, mentioned and described in the Bill, filed in the above styled suit, which was conveyed by R. B. Gillespie to A. M. Ferguson, and afterwards conveyed by A. M. Ferguson to his wife, M. A. Ferguson, and will also ascertain and report the amount, if anything, that has been paid upon this property by L. R. Dings; and will also report the priority of the liens upon the said property, as well as any other matters deemed pertinent by myself or required by the parties.

All persons claiming liens upon the said property are hereby required to appear before me and present their liens and prove them. If the taking of this account be not completed upon the day designated, it will be continued from day to day, or time to time, until it is completed.

The taking of this account was ordered by a decree, entered in the above styled suit at the December term, 1899, of the Circuit Court of Tazewell County.

A. S. HIGGINBOTHAM,
Commissioner in Chancery.

The LOOK &
LINCOLN WAGONS

Have established a reputation for superiority in Southwest Virginia. They are manufactured from the best timber found in our section, carefully selected and thoroughly seasoned. The work is done by skilled mechanics and the most improved machinery. A number have been sold in Tazewell County and reference is made